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This is a national phase filing of International Application No.

PCT/SE2004/001644, filed November 10, 2004.

In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant submits information in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98. Copies of International Search Report dated March 15, 2005, and the International Preliminary Examination Report dated March 6, 2006 are submitted herewith. Applicant also provides copies of the six (6) items cited in the International Search Report. International Publication Nos. WO96/05867 and WO97/02842 also are discussed in Applicant's Specification at Pages 2 and 3.

In the International Search Report the publications were placed in the "A" category as defining the general state of the art which is not considered to be of particular relevance.

In the International Preliminary Examination Report, the claims were found to satisfy the criteria for novelty, inventive step, and industrial applicability.

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Applicant additionally provides a copy of European Patent Application No. 0308983 that is discussed at Pages 2 and 3 of Applicant's Specification.

For the convenience of the Examiner, a form PTO-1449 is attached. It is requested that an Examiner-initialed copy of this form be returned to the undersigned once the above items are considered.

The examination and allowance of the Application are respectfully requested.

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Examiner Initials	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.
	THOMSEN, Henrik S., et al.; "Increased Manganese Concentration in the Liver after Oral Intake"; Academic Radiology; January 2004; pp 38-44; Vol. 11-No. 1.

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